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WEANED ON A PIPE

Robert Risdon, An Oakland Youth

WHO SMOKED SEVERAL PACKS OF CIGARETTES EACH DAY OF THE WEEK. Almost Lost His Life From Their Effects.

Weaning Him on a Pipe.

Robert Risdon, the prominent young Oaklander who was at the point of death only a few days ago from too much cigarette smoking, suffered a relapse to-day which has thrown him back into a critical condition again.

When Mr. Risdon was first taken sick he was smoking several packs of cigarettes a day. They had been his usual diet for many years, and it is wonderful, say the doctors, that he had not succumbed to them before. But the young man had a strong constitution, and this helped him to overcome the effects of the nicotine.

One day several weeks ago a harmless little pimple appeared on the back of Mr. Risdon's neck. It was a very trifling affair at first, but it soon grew so large that he became alarmed at its formidable size and concluded the best way to attend to it was to give up work and send for a doctor. Then he took to his bed, where he has been ever since, for phlegmonous erysipelas set in, and the physician told him that unless the disease was soon stopped he would die.

Dr. Clarence Selfridge, who had charge of the patient, found it would not do at such a critical time to cut off completely Mr. Risdon's supply of cigarettes, so he set about cautiously diminishing the number each day until he had his patient well in hand. Then he began weaning him entirely of the nicotine habit by means of a pipe. Now Mr. Risdon is doing very well on one pipe a day, and the doctor will probably cut him off entirely very soon.

This weaning process was necessary because of the malignance of Mr. Risdon's disease. Shortly after Dr. Selfridge took the case in hand the poison ate its way into all the veins of the head, and later on down into the glands about the eyes and nose, so that the patient for ten whole days could see absolutely nothing, and every one despaired of his ever regaining his eyesight.

Mr. Risdon's hair had to be shaved off in order to get at the poisoned veins, and then the surgeon's lance had a busy time of it up and down his face and head. One of the cuts reached completely across his scalp, while two delicate slashes let the poisonous matter out from the imprisoned eyes. This was some of the routine punishment Mr. Risdon suffered before he began to recover. It is very probable that he may carry the scars of his thirty-two surgeon-inflicted wounds with him all through life.

Dr. Clarence Selfridge said today that although Mr. Risdon was not so well as he had been for several days past, he would undoubtedly recover from the temporary setback caused more by the hot weather than anything else.

"Mr. Risdon will recover," said the doctor, "but he had a very close call, and he knows it. Tobacco is very injurious to the nutritive functions, and in such a case as Mr. Risdon proves a very deadly foe.

"When I took charge of the case I found Mr. Risdon suffering from a severe carbuncle that rapidly developed into phlegmonous erysipelas, showing marked conditions of chemosis. This entered the veins of the head so rapidly that I had hard work stopping it from passing down through the eyes and face and reaching the heart.

"I was compelled to make thirty-two incisions at different times to let the pus escape. These wounds were of various lengths. They have mostly all healed without stitches, though in several cases this would have been necessary but for proper care."

There will be a special mass meeting of the Y. M. C. A. of Alameda county, this evening at Oakland, to prepare for the next meeting of the National Christian Endeavor Society.

ARE ORGANIZED.

The West Berkeley Athletic Club Has Elected Its Officers.

West Berkeley In Line.

West Berkeley have organized an athletic club of their own and propose to make it a worthy rival of the Crescent Athletic Club of East Berkeley. The new athletic association, which has been named the West Berkeley Athletic Club, starts out with twenty-two members. George Phillips has been elected president of the club. The other officers are: Louis Borkheim, vice-president; Andrew Andrews, secretary; Thomas Williams, recording secretary; and Samuel Fisher, treasurer. A board of directors will be elected at a meeting to be held Friday evening.

The new club has rented the big barn of J. W. Taylor for headquarters. The interior will be fitted up as a gymnasium and used for club exhibitions. A benefit entertainment and ball will be given on the evening of July 25th in Sistrina Hall, West Berkeley. A long programme of athletic and boxing events is being arranged for the affair.

Visit From Dr. Greene.

Dr. Edward B. Greene, former head of the department of botany at the State University, who is now professor at Washington University, the Catholic institution in the District of Columbia, will visit Berkeley at the end of the present month. Professor Greene resigned his position at the University of California last July to accept the chair of botany at the newly established institution in Washington.

Sunday Evening Lectures.

There was a good large audience out to hear Professor Foster's lecture in the North Berkeley Church last evening and all were delighted and instructed therewith. He is to lecture again on the evening of August 2nd in place of the regular Sunday evening sermon. His subject will be "The Book of Esther" and will be fully as interesting as the one on Ecclesiastes last evening.

East Berkeley Letter List.

Letters advertised Monday, July 13, 1896:
Cannell, W. P. 1000
McAvoy, Peter 1000
Hathaway, Wm. Lee 1000
Hesse, R. A. 1000
Hesse, R. A. 1000

West Berkeley Letter List.

Letters advertised Monday, July 13, 1896:
Anderson, Ed. 1000
Barnes, Mrs. M. A. 1000
Buzell, Mrs. Mary 1000
Bridges, Fred 1000
Crawford, Goodwin 1000
Coughlin, J. A. 1000
Carrad, Ed. 1000

The Misses Bessie and May Bishop.

of Lorin, are spending their vacation with friends in the city.

Miss S. Bishop, of Lorin, leaves next week for Southern California to visit friends and will return about September 1st.

The Christian Endeavor Society of the South Berkeley Presbyterian church met last evening and installed the following new officers: Mary Ogilvie, president; Mrs. George S. Randall, vice-president; Lulu Frame, secretary.

Mrs. William L. Wright, treasurer.

The Town Trustees will hold a regular meeting this evening. Among the matters to be considered are the appointment of a Fire Chief and the connecting of the various fire-houses by wire.

A report will be received from the Board of Library Trustees showing the condition of the public library during the past six months.

The Gazette will issue a special trade edition on Thursday consisting of 8 pages, which will set forth what the business men of Berkeley have to say to the world at large. About 7500 copies have been, actually subscribed and these will be sent to all parts of the United States and all over the world, and it will soon be heard from by people who will come here looking for homes.

The vested choir of St. Mark's Church has disbanded for the vacation many members being out of town. The choir will be reorganized next fall, with many additional voices. It is proposed to have forty singers when room can be made for them in the chancel.

During the absence of the choir vocal music will be furnished by William N. Harris, J. Palache, Mrs. Van Vleet and other volunteers.

A PITIABLE CASE

A Young German Dies in San Francisco

WHERE HE LEFT SOME VALUABLE PROPERTY.

His Mother In Germany, Whom He Had Forgotten, now trying to Obtain It.

Forgot His Own Mother.

The sad spectacle of an old mother looking for her son to find support has just come to light through an application of the mother, Mrs. John Griest, of Tunden, North Schleswig, Germany, to Judge Ellsworth for any information regarding her son and his property.

The letter was written in German, and stated she was old, feeble and almost penniless. She had a son who had left home as a seafaring man. He acquired some money and came to California, where he invested it soon afterward. She heard of his death, but never learned where he had invested his earnings. She thought he might be in Alameda county.

This morning it was ascertained that one M. L. R. Wind, the name given by Mrs. Griest, had died in San Francisco in 1895. P. G. Larsen was named executor by Mr. Wind in his will, which bequeathed all of his property to Mrs. Jacobson. It was appraised at \$3454.60 and yielded \$2978. She has since died and now Elise Margarete Marten of Heide, Prussia, has what was left.

The estate was closed up long ago, but no mention was ever made of a mother by the son, who seemed to have forgotten all about her.

Must Hug Something.

Mrs. B. L. Spence of 1324 Linden street, Oakland had a novel experience when the overland train came in the other night. She was met by a gentleman who attempted to embrace her and who persisted in his determination till he was slapped.

Rev. and Mrs. J. Small went to the train to meet the wife of Rev. George W. Sweeney, who has come to Oakland on a visit to friends. They were accompanied by Mrs. Spence, also a friend of Mrs. Sweeney.

When the passengers alighted a gentleman rushed up to Mrs. Spence and was attempting to embrace her when she resisted.

"You've made a mistake, sir," said the lady.

"Oh, no, I haven't," said the gentleman, laughing.

As he spoke he made another advance toward the lady.

"But you have," said the lady.

The gentleman was only encouraged by the lady's opposition, and again prepared to renew his demonstration of affection.

Mrs. Spence was very much worked up and protested strongly, but with no result favorable to herself. The man refused to be convinced that he had made a mistake.

As he made a final attempt Mrs. Spence was forced to resort to a display of her dignity and she administered to her persistent admirer a heavy blow in the face.

This had the desired effect and the gentleman went off. Mrs. Spence says that he undoubtedly mistook her for some one he expected to meet and would not be convinced that he had made a mistake. She is now wondering who the lady is that bears such a resemblance to her, and is of the lookout to guard against any similar demonstration in the future.

Miss Oakie Allen and Arthur Ferdinand Frey, both of Berkeley, were married Saturday night at the home of the bride's parents, 2036 Durant street, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Dr. M. M. Gibson, of San Francisco. The bride and the groom are both well known in local social circles. The newly wedded couple will spend their honeymoon at Castle Craig.

The funeral of A. Thienger took place yesterday under the auspices of the Herman Sons of West Berkeley and the Bakers Verein. It was one of the largest funerals that has ever taken place in West Berkeley, which shows in what high esteem the deceased was held by his neighbors and friends.

THEIR OWN ENEMY

The Cry of Wolf has Gone up too often and this time He did Come.

Enemies To Oakland.

The Oakland papers are that city's worst enemy. There is not a move that the Southern Pacific Company makes that is not frowned upon and denounced.

The Railroad Company, which pays thousands of dollars each year into the city treasury and which disburses thousands upon thousands of dollars each month among citizens of Berkeley, cannot ask for anything that even common decency demands, they have a right to, but what the company is assailed by some of the Oakland papers and a certain clique of its citizens, and every thing possible is thrown in its way.

The latest obstruction that these papers and people are trying to throw in its way is to prevent the Railroad Company from filling in a sink hole and pestilence breeding pool at the end of Twelfth street in Oakland.

Some months ago a number of the property owners of West Oakland became alarmed at the number of "To Rent" signs that graced nearly every other house in the section, and organized a club for the purpose of ascertaining the cause of so many people moving away from that section of the town, and to provide some way in which they could prevent it.

It did not take them long to find out that one of the principal causes was the sink hole that prevailed along the western boundary of the town. They then set about to see how that matter could be remedied and called in the owners, the Pacific Investment Company, the Southern Pacific Company, the California Sash and Door Company and several private owners.

After stating their case to these people with an estimate of the cost of filling up this health-destrating hole that was destroying the property values of West Oakland, the companies above named, and all of the private owners except one, agreed to pay their prorata and have it filled up.

The Southern Pacific offered to do the whole work much cheaper than the estimate made by the club, and its terms were accepted. The citizens then went to work and raised by subscription money enough to pay for that portion which a private owner refused to do and this sum, amounting to about \$360, is to be paid over to the agents of the Southern Pacific Company to-morrow evening.

This announcement has caused a howl to go up from an Oakland paper that the Railroad Company which is assisting Oakland (at a time when they don't have to and when they are being abused) is grabbing more of the people's money.

A Sunday Row.

A row occurred last evening at Mr. Salmon's billiard parlor rooms between James Overall and the proprietor. It appeared that the former coming in from the billiard room on Stanford Place, used language not of good sound to ears polite and insisted upon going inside of the building. To this Mr. Salmon objected and a fist fight was immediately indulged in, Overall getting the worst of it as far as wounds were concerned. Officers took charge of Overall and led him away from the immediate vicinity. Not before a couple pieces of glass of the door of the billiard room had been smashed. Finally Marshal Lloyd appeared, and after talking with different parties, he concluded to allow the man to go.

This morning a warrant was sworn out for the arrest of Salmon on a charge of battery.

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society of the Park Congregational Church will hold a picnic at Blair's Park to-morrow. Everybody is invited to attend.

Students Boarding and Lodging House.

Mrs. George Chalmers wishes to announce to students and others that she has just completed her elegant 26-room house on Durant Avenue near College Avenue and is prepared to give accommodations to about 50, at very reasonable rates. Good board and nicely furnished rooms, with students parlor and free use of piano at \$18, \$20 and \$22.50 per week. Call and secure rooms.

July 11 mi.

Schmitt & Zehner are the leading hardware merchants of Berkeley, in the Shattuck block.

Don't forget that the best of cigars are always kept at our old friend, Samuel Fisher, University avenue, near Fifth street, West Berkeley. Sole agent for Viking Beer.

Schmitt & Zehner are in the Shattuck block.

POOR PLUMBING

Health Officer Rowell and His Sanitary Inspector Mr. Thompson.

Find a Bad State of Affairs at the Kellogg School House.

A Death Trap.

Had such a fact been discovered on the property of a private citizen as was found out this morning at the Kellogg School the owner would have probably had to pay a heavy fine.

During the school vacation advantage is taken of the absence of scholars from the various buildings to make such repairs as are actually needed.

This morning a plumber was sent to the Kellogg School for the purpose of replacing an iron pipe for one that had become in a very bad condition. Sanitary Inspector Thompson went with the man to see what was to be done and then made an inspection of the premises.

From this the facts came out that the plumbing of the Kellogg School was performed in a way that should cause the men who performed the work severe punishment of some kind. The closets on account of the construction can never be thoroughly overhauled and have no traps, thus allowing all the gas from the sewer to be constantly escaping and the air in the building is always contaminated with the foul gas that arises. It is no wonder that the children get fevers for they are daily exposed to this air filled almost solid with disease bearing germs.

The urinals have no traps and lead into an open sewer pipe. Some of these spots are of wood and consequently have become almost saturated with water. The floors are of wood and are also water-soaked, which certainly is very detrimental to the health of the school children. The floors should be of cement, the urinal conveyors ought to be glazed ware of galvanized iron with a constant deodorizer. Traps should also be put in every place necessary for them. The vaults should be arranged that immediate cleaning could take place.

An inspection under the main building showed matters to be in fully as bad a condition. Where the waste water is supposed to go into the sewer under the main building it was found in one place that there was no connection with the sewer at all. The waste water ran from an open pipe into the soil, which was kept constantly wet.

It is quite probable that there was a connection of this lead pipe with the sewer, but the tin connecting piece had rusted away, so that not a vestige of it was left. In another place where the waste water came from the different rooms there was no trap at all, and in making the pipe connections the front was not sealed even. The rush of water coming from an elevation naturally caused the water to be thrown about the ground and against the underpinning of the building. The latter shows decay from this cause. All of these things cause the air underneath the building, which by the way, has poor ventilation, to be of a deadly nature. This must arise and eventually permeate the building.

When Health Officer Rowell and Sanitary Inspector Thompson had seen all of these things, a stop was put upon the repairs already commenced, and thorough work will have to be done before the building can be again occupied for school purposes.

There were immense crowds at Blair's Park yesterday to witness the balloon ascension, listen to the music of the band and witness the other attractions. A great deal of complaint was heard because the best seats around the band stand have been fenced off and are not available for the general public. The seats along the terraces have also been removed and now it is impossible for one half of the crowds that are carried there each Sunday by the Piedmont Railway Company to find a place to sit down.

C. H. Woolsey and J. H. Breen of Berkeley are registered at Highland Springs.

WAS LAID AWAY.

All That Was Mortal of A. J. Snyder Placed in the Tomb.

Burial of A. J. Snyder.

The funeral of the late Andrew Jackson Snyder took place yesterday morning and was very largely attended. The remains, accompanied by the family of the deceased, arrived from Calistoga on the 8:45 o'clock train, and the funeral cortege formed at the Sixteenth street station. Live Oak Lodge, No. 61, F. & A. M. to which the deceased belonged, attended in a body. The plan to take the body to Masonic Hall for services, was abandoned, and the funeral proceeded at once to Mountain View Cemetery.

The services at the grave were conducted by the members of the lodge and were according to the ritual of the order. A quartette made up of members of the order rendered several musical selections. The interment was in the family plot. There was a large gathering at the cemetery, and the floral offerings were numerous.

There is No Let Up.

The fight between the telephone and telegraph girls to see who will get the Gazette's two weeks outing at the Highland Springs promised to be to the finish, and it is hard to tell who will be the winners. The young ladies, in the contest have determined that they will go and as a consequence the coupons and subscriptions are coming in very rapidly. Nearly all of the girls climbed up the list very rapidly to-day as will be seen by consulting the list below:

The vote today is as follows:

Loila B. Brackett, Berkeley.....\$180
Miss Stella Lenders, Berkeley.....250
Allice L. Cain, Berkeley.....175
Miss Frazetta Bryan, Oakland.....90
Miss Nanette Rothblum, Alameda.....90
Miss Grace Terry, Oakland.....10
Miss Mary Rederick, Alameda.....10
Miss Ruth, Oakland.....10
Miss Collins, Oakland.....10
Miss S. O'Brien.....10

TELEGRAPHIC GIRLS:

Miss E. T. Kohnen, Berkeley.....250
Miss A. J. Glibbey, Alameda.....100

Watch Them Come In.

The boys and girls are determined to make a record while winning the GAZETTE prizes and are just rushing in their coupon, all of them determined to be first and to have the pick of the dozen or more prizes that we are offering to the boy or girl that succeeds in getting the largest number of coupons signed by GAZETTE advertisers. A glance at the list below will show how earnest they are in their endeavor to receive the prize.

The vote to-day is as follows:

F. Hadden.....110
Nelson Lauterbach.....100
Ollie Dean.....100
Miss W. Williams.....100
Nabel Herzig.....100
B. Nieldorfer.....100
Willie Kearney.....100
S. O'Brien.....100
M. Giffin.....100
Adeline Brown.....100
Ramos.....100
W. Wulbert.....100
Mary Westall.....100
Annie Neuman.....100
John Jurgenson.....100
Bertha Post.....100

Cheap Homes.

Never before in the history of Berkeley real estate has there been such a desire on the part of people to become owners of realty as has been the case since George Schmidt, Berkeley's rustling real estate agent, placed the acreage and building lot property at Schmidt's Village, upon the market. Over two-thirds of the lots have been sold, and many of the buyers have purchased property has been purchased.

Every day he is besieged with people who are anxious to see the tract and he takes them all out and never yet has he failed to make a sale. He is anxious to close this up as soon as possible, as there are several other large property owners who wish him to sell their land, and he has promised to handle it provided they will sell it at the lowest bid rock prices. Watch the GAZETTE for a copy of a full sized map of the land that he is actually giving away.

There arrived this morning at the home of Mr. C. Hanson, the well-known West Berkeley expressman a 12 pound baby girl, making the tenth child born to the happy parents. When he has a baker's dozen Mr. Hanson says that he will be satisfied.

H. D. Kelsey, and wife left on Saturday evening for Stockton. After leaving the train at Stockton, they will visit the family of Mr. Oxley.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Butlers of Berkeley will leave this evening for Los Angeles. They intend to walk the entire distance, camping on the way.

DEATH CLAIMED HIM

The Oldest Settler in Berkeley Has Passed Over the Dark and Gloomy River.

William Ashby, the Founder of South Berkeley, Dies after a Brief Illness.

Death of William Ashby.

Mr. William Ashby was born at Newburyport, Mass., August 1st, 1819, and came to California overland in 1849 settling in San Francisco. He first went into the General Merchandise business which he followed for nine years.

Forty years ago he came to what is now known as South Berkeley but formerly called Newbury being an abbreviation of his native place. After this portion of the town was annexed, it assumed the name of South Berkeley. The main avenue is also named for Mr. Ashby.

When the railroad company desired to build to East Berkeley, Mr. Ashby gave the right of way to the Company from Russell street to Kent street being a distance of six blocks. This run through his ranch which at that time was bounded as follows: by what is now the Berkeley line of Steam railroad on the west, Choate street, now Telegraph avenue, on the east by Russell street on the north and by Kent street on the south, making in all 160 acres.

The whole of this property now is valued by experts at about \$1,000,000. He had disposed of the largest portion of it, and the estate is estimated to be valued at about \$12,000.

Mr. Ashby was passionately fond of flowers and could be often seen as late as 10 or 11 o'clock at night watering his garden. This eventually developed into a gripe with complications of pneumonia. He was also subject to organic heart disease which hastened his death. On Wednesday last he was out and about his garden in the morning, in the evening he went to his bed and his family physician Dr. Burchard, of Oakland was called to see him. The doctor had but faint hopes of recovery from the moment he first saw him. All that medical skill could do was done but notwithstanding he succumbed to the disease on Sunday morning, passing away at 8:50 o'clock.

Mr. Ashby leaves two brothers and one sister, Mark Ashby of College avenue and James T. Ashby of East Oakland and Mrs. Elizabeth White who lives with Mr. Mark Ashby. His wife died about twenty years ago. The deceased always bore an upright character and was well liked by all who knew him.

The funeral will take place to-morrow from Brown's Undertaking Parlor at Oakland.

Fire at San Rafael.

San Rafael, Cal., July 12.—A fire broke out at 4 o'clock this morning in the Miller block on Fourth street. Two men were killed and the property was destroyed. The fire was caused by a gas stove which contained his furniture store and Ramos' restaurant, were destroyed together with Costin's grocery and the express office of Wells, Fargo & Co. T. C. King's building, which was occupied by Malone's pharmacy, is left standing, although the interior is a wreck. On a street a new two story building, owned by James Tunstead and occupied by George McMillan's photograph gallery and Hotchkiss' cycery, is a total loss.

The McMillan and Hotchkiss families, that resided in the building, were not aware of their peril until window panes began to crack around them. They had only time to get out without saving even their clothing. McMillan's loss is \$750; Hotchkiss' loss is \$4500; insurance \$1000; Ramos' loss is \$1500; no insurance; William Salt has an insurance \$5000 on his building and \$2500 on his stock; Malone's loss is \$2500, insurance \$1500.

Bryan was nominated on a 16 to 1 platform, but the chances are more than 16 to 1 against his election.

Mr. William Higgins of West Berkeley was made happy on the third of this month by the arrival at his home of a handsome little daughter.

BRICK MORSE

And Some Fellow College Boys Are Now on the Road.

College Boy's Concert Tour.

The University of California Male Quartet, which was organized a few weeks ago, is about to make a concert tour through the small towns in the central part of the State. The idea of such a tour was suggested by "Brick" Morse a short time ago as a means of passing a pleasant vacation, and so he enlisted in his troupe Allen T. Smith '97, Dwight Hutchinson '98 and Frank Argall '96, all of whom are members of the University Glee Club.

The boys will leave on their trip next Thursday, and will visit San Rafael, Petaluma, Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Monterey, Salinas, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara. They will be away for about three weeks, and they will be accompanied by Baldwin '94 and Durant '91, two banjo and guitar soloists, who will assist in concerts, and "Brick" Morse is billed as the funny man, and will give his "Temperance Lecture" and "Auto-zoological" sketch between acts.

No Life on the Moon.

In the absence of an indication of any sort of life whatever on the moon, with no air nor water, together with the fact that no change of any descriptions has been noticed by the keen and trained eyes which have jealously scrutinized its surface from the time of the first telescopic efforts to the present we are compelled to conclude that there are no people who live in the moon.

The wonderful combination of mountain and crater, valley and peak, is, after all, only a graveyard; and if living beings ever roamed over its plains and navigated its great seas, now dry or frozen with appalling cold, they have been gathered to the nations of the dead; and all traces of them having vanished, the tall shafts of the mountains watch over their last resting place, and with the crater rings, constitute their eternal and magnificent mausoleum.—Ladies' Home Journal.

The Oakland Theatre.

To-night Emmet Sheridan will commence his last week at the Oakland Theatre in the beautiful Irish comedy drama, "Killarney." This production bears the significance of being recognized as the most clever Irish play on the stage at the present time. It is full of bright scenes, pleasing situations and witticisms. Some very pretty scenery has been specially appointed for the occasion and many sparkling songs and specialties will enliven the bill.

Next week J. J. Dowling and Myra Davis will open their season at the Oakland in "Nobody's Claim."

The Lorin Fire Company will meet to-morrow evening for the purpose of adopting new by-laws and constitution.

Salmonson was arrested to-day on a warrant charged with battery. His case will come up on Wednesday in Justice James Court. The arrest was made by Marshal Lloyd.

The eleven o'clock special train from Shell Mound Park was delayed two hours last night owing to the engine being broken down. The Berkeley train was delayed about ten minutes.

The weather during the past three days has been extremely warm and to-day it was warmer than ever, a large number of Berkeley people sought the cool waters of the bay at West Berkeley beach for comfort and a bath.

The Berkeley Gazette has commenced its fourth volume. The editor brags a trifle over his success, and we guess he has good cause to. It is distinctly a home paper, and wins success by staying with the home people on every public proposition.—Redlands Citigraph.

The West Berkeley Republican Club will hold its regular meeting tomorrow evening and a full attendance is desired in order that steps may be taken to secure some public speakers for a mass meeting to be held in the near future.

Owing to the slack work and the hard times the Southern Pacific Railroad Company have concluded not to work their employees in the shops and yards but five days per week instead of six as at present. The reduction in days was made in order that a host of men might not have to be discharged. In these hard times a half loaf is better than none.

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For Sale by all Dealers in Building Supplies